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[*without reference to a Main Committee (A/57/L.78)*]

57/308. High-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 57/299 of 20 December 2002, entitled "Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS", in which it decided to convene a day of high-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of its twenty-sixth special session and the implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS,[1] and to hold, in parallel with the afternoon plenary meeting, an informal interactive panel discussion with the theme "Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: from policy to practice – progress achieved, lessons learned and best practices",

Recalling also that, in accordance with its resolution 57/299, the statements in the debate in the plenary meetings should not exceed five minutes each,

Recalling further that in its resolution 57/299, it invited the President of the General Assembly to finalize any outstanding organizational matters in consultation with the Member States,

1. *Decides* to amend paragraph 2 of its resolution 57/299 to read "*Decides* to convene a day of high-level plenary meetings of the General Assembly devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of its twenty-sixth special session and the implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS, to be held on 22 September 2003";

2. *Also decides* that the list of speakers for the debate in plenary will be organized on a first-come, first-served basis, the order of precedence being as follows:

(*a*) Heads of State and Government;

(*b*) Vice-Presidents/Crown Princes or Princesses;

[1] Resolution S-26/2, annex.

(*c*) Deputy Prime Ministers;

(*d*) The highest ranking official of the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, and of Palestine, in its capacity as observer;

(*e*) Ministers;

(*f*) Vice-Ministers;

(*g*) Heads of delegations;

and, should the level of participation change, the replacement speaker will be accommodated in the last position available in the appropriate category;

3. *Further decides* that, in accordance with paragraph 5 of its resolution 57/299, an invitation to the informal interactive panel discussion, to be held in parallel with the afternoon plenary meeting, will be extended to those on the list of civil society representatives submitted on 25 April 2003 by the President of the General Assembly to Member States[2] and to which no objection has been received.

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[2] A/57/CRP.4, annex.